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HEROISM AT A FIRE.

The Result When Neither Girl Would Climb Down First.

Not long ago a hotel was partially burned and the scene of some sensational escapes as well as of more than one death. A young woman was telling of her experiences on that night, when she and a friend occupied a room on the third floor. They had been talking until a late hour, when they were startled by the cry of "Fire!" "We jumped up," said the girl, "and rushed to the door. Flames filled the corridor. The elevator shaft and the fire escapes were quite cut off from us, and nothing remained for the people on our side but to use the windows. As Kate and I stared out at the red glow in horror one or two people passed the windows, letting themselves down by the ropes. We looked out at them, dazed for a moment, and the crowd below shouted, 'Don't jump! Then my brain cleared. I am pretty good at climbing, and somehow the idea of my being injured never entered my head. I said to Kate: 'Quick! Take the rope and let yourself down!' Kate turned to me and said quietly, but firmly: 'I am stronger than you. You go first.' 'I won't,' said I, with insinuating contempt. 'You know I can always take care of myself.' 'I shan't go first,' said Kate. 'Then we both lost our tempers. 'Kate,' I said, 'your chief fault always was obstinacy.' 'Oh,' said she in withering scorn, 'and you're not at all obstinate, staying up here to burn!' 'One foot after another passed the window. The flames above brighter than ever. I was furious at Kate and she at me. We shook our fists at each other. The crowd shouted, 'Don't jump!' and I shrieked back at them: 'I'm not going to jump, you idiot! It's Kate's fault!' 'Really, when I think of the names we called each other, standing there with death creeping closer every moment, I blush. The crowd yelled frantically. 'I won't go first!' I shouted at Kate. 'I won't sit an inch!' she shrieked at me. 'Then we'll die!' I cried melodramatically. 'She'll be a fool! Take the rope!' she yelled. 'No!' I shouted. Just then there was a great shout at the door, and the firemen shouted in the corridor. 'It's all out!' Kate and I fell into each other's arms hysterically. We vowed never to speak of our idocy, but we have a sense of humor, and so we've both told the story of our heroism."—New York Tribune.

A Testimonial Worth Having.
An inventor, having produced a wonderful hair irrigating fluid, sent a case of bottles to a bald editor, with a request for a testimonial. He got it in these terms: "A little applied to the inf' and has given it a coat of bristles, making a splendid penholder at a small cost. We applied the latter to a twopenny nail, and the nail is now the handsomest shaving brush you ever saw, with beautiful, soft hair growing from the end of it some five or six inches in length."

"Applied to doorsteps, it does away with the use of a mat; applied to the floor, it will cause to grow therefrom hair sufficient for a Brussels carpet. A little weak hair sprinkled over a shed makes it impervious to the wind, rain or cold. It is good to put inside children's cradles, sprinkle on the roadside or anywhere that luxurious grass is wanted for use or ornament. It produces the effect in ten minutes."—Columbian Weekly.

African Wash, but Never Wipe.
Great attention is given in most of the African tribes to the care of the body. The teeth are cleaned with a stick which has been chewed into a kind of brush. The hands are washed frequently, not by turning and twisting and rubbing them together one within the other, as with us, but by a straight up and down rubbing, such as is given to the other limbs. This manner of washing is so characteristic that an African might be distinguished by it from a European without reference to the color. The sun is their only towel.

The Earliest Cigars.
The earliest mention of cigars in English occurs in a book dated 1755. A traveler in Spanish America named Cockburn, whose narrative was published in that year, describes how he met three friars at Nicaragua, who, he says, "gave us some segars to smoke; . . . these are leaves of Tobacco rolled up in such manner that they serve both for a Pipe and Tobacco itself; . . . they know no other way here, for there is no such thing as a Tobacco Pipe throughout New Spain."

A Lesson.
"We must economize," he said perceptibly. "I'm glad," his wife exclaimed. "You take the announcement more good naturedly than usual." "Yes; it's pleasant to hear you use the plural pronoun. Ordinarily, when there is any economizing needed, you expect me to do it all."

Quite Laid.
Tudor-Harris gets all his clothes ready made now.
Burton—So he told you too?
Tudor—He told me nothing. He didn't have to—Boswell Transcript.

Strikes a Rich Find.
"I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green, Lancaster, N. H. "No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic and invigorator for weak, run down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them. Only 50 cents. Satisfaction guaranteed by all druggists.

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A LESSON IN CHESS.

Why Willie's Papa Ended It Almost Before It Was Begun.

Paterfamilias, with a laudable desire to keep Willie at home at night, offered to teach him to play chess. The boy was delighted, and the game began. "Put the little ones, pawns, all along the front and the big ones behind, as I show you." "I think that is cowardly. The big ones ought to be in front. Ma says—" "Oh, but that is the rule. Now, see; put that rook in the corner." "Rook! What's a rook?" "It is a kind of bird." "Well, that ain't a bird. It looks like a castle." "Call it a castle, then—and put the knight next—" "Why is that called a knight? It looks like a horse's head." "And then the bishop," went on paterfamilias, ignoring the question; "so, and then—" "Why is the bishop's head split in two, pop?" "Oh, that is his hat—a cardinal's hat." "But I thought he was a bishop!" "A cardinal is much a bishop. Now don't talk so much, Willie. Then you put the king and queen—" "The queen is bigger than the king, pop!" "Well, so she is. Who said she wasn't?" said paterfamilias, with a trace of impatience in his tone. "And then another bishop?" "Why are there two bishops, pop?" "Because the rules say so. Now, I shall move first." "What, after all that trouble, are you going to move them again?" "Say, Willie, I believe my head is aching. I shall show you the rest some other time," said paterfamilias as he swept the men into the box.—New York Times.

How to Teach a Pet to Ride a Ball.
Many readers have doubtless seen bears standing on a rolling ball and maintaining their balance perfectly while rolling it about the arena. I have a bear who delights to do the trick. He can scarcely wait for his time to come to perform. He was taught, as they are all taught, by joggling his pedestal while he tried to keep from being jostled off. Gradually the pedestal was substituted for a ball with many flat places on it, and this was followed by a perfect sphere. He has been performing two years now, and I have never known him to slip and fall off.—Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly.

Both Sides.
Johnnie—What does it mean by "seeing the humorous and the serious side of things?"
Father—Well, my son, take a bit of orange peel, for example. How many sides has it?
Johnnie—Why, two, of course.
Father—Exactly. And when some other man steps on that orange peel he sees the serious side of it and you see the humorous side.—London Tit-Bits.

The Cheerful Man is one who practices the art of having things as he would have them.—National Magazine.

The Seals on the Hair.
If you look at a human hair under the microscope, you will find that its surface is formed of successive overlapping scales. The bristles of the hog bear much resemblance to the human hair, though their diameter is greater and the little scales are much finer. Sheep's hair has much coarser scales. It is owing to the existence of these scales that a schoolboy is able by a peculiar process to tell which is the tip and which the other end of a hair rolling it between his finger and thumb.

Time's Changes.
"Diogenes was a great man," said the contemplative person, "and yet he had no use for money. He was content to confine his possessions to a single tub."
"Well," answered Senator Sorghum, "a tub might have been all right in those days, but what a man wants now is a barrel."—Washington Star.

There Were No More Complainers.
A certain dentist was in the habit of troubling his father-in-law with complaints about his wife's behavior. "Really, this is too bad," cried the irascible old gentleman one day, on hearing of some of his daughter's delinquencies. "If I hear any more complaints I will disinherit her."—London Telegraph.

A Hustler.
Junior Partner—I see you have engaged a new assistant. Is he a good salesman?
Senior Partner—Good, salesman! Great snake! I had to send for the police to prevent him from talking me into taking him into partnership!

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GOOD FROM DISEASE.

SEVERAL AFFLICTIONS THAT HAVE THEIR COMPENSATIONS.

An Attack of Smallpox, if You Get Over It, Will Add Years to Your Life—Sufferers From Rheumatism and Gout Are Long Lived.

Have you had smallpox? If you have and you have recovered from the terrible disease without your eyesight or hearing being seriously affected, as is very often the case, you may congratulate yourself that smallpox attacked you, for you will probably, barring accidents, live considerably longer and enjoy better general health than if you had never had the disease. It is a remarkable fact—one of nature's peculiar compensations—that people who have suffered from smallpox generally live longer than people who have not. Why this should be the case there is only an unproved theory to explain, and the theory is that the microbes which go to make smallpox, being very powerful and pugnacious, swallow up the microbes of many other diseases which they find in the systems of the persons they attack; hence, by contracting smallpox severely, you stand a good chance of eliminating from your system other diseases which would seize upon you at some time or other, and likely enough, prove fatal. At the same time it must be admitted that smallpox is not scheduled as a preventive medicine, and the number of persons it either kills, maims or inflicts with mental incapacities is probably greater than the number of persons whose lives it prolongs. At the same time it is a fact that the disease, though one of the most terrible known to medical science, does you a great deal of good if you are capable of throwing it off without suffering after effects of a more serious character than being pitted with the queer little marks it almost invariably leaves behind to distinguish its victims. Numbers of elderly persons in more or less feeble health are kept alive by coughs, such, for instance, as bronchitis. Chronic coughs are peculiarly common to old people, and hundreds who complain of the distress caused them by such affections are really indebted to their coughs for their length of life. The reason of this is that most elderly persons suffer with weak hearts and feeble circulation of the blood, and weak hearts become weaker merely as a result of their weakness. A constant cough corrects this, keeps the heart beating more strongly than it otherwise would, and the strong heart beats keeps the blood circulating more quickly, and the vital organs are thus kept in a state of activity which could only for a limited time but for the trouble-some cough. Moreover, the constant reminders given by the cough deter the sufferers from running risks of catching colds. In other words, they have to study their health or suffer more acutely from their coughs, and, choosing the former, they benefit accordingly. Gout and rheumatism are exceedingly painful diseases and of course in some cases prove fatal, but they confer many a blessing upon mankind, and rheumatism particularly is well known to doctors as a preventive of many other diseases. It is a notorious fact that gouty subjects generally live to a ripe age, and albeit they suffer very severely at times they generally enjoy excellent general health, the very causes of the gout keeping their blood in good condition and making it unendurable to many kinds of microbes. Cases have occurred of whole households, except one member, being stricken down with infectious diseases, and the lucky exception has been a sufferer from rheumatism or gout, which alone has prevented him from contracting the diseases which have run through the house. Such sufferers do not run half the risk of catching the common illnesses that nonsufferers run, and a large proportion of the people who reach ages of fourscore years are people who for years have suffered from gout or rheumatism, to which fact they undoubtedly owe many of the years they have lived over the allotted span.

Take half a dozen persons over the age of seventy who suffer from rheumatism or gout and half a dozen others who suffer from neither and you will find that, except for their rheumatism or gout, they enjoy very much better health than the nonsufferers and stand a splendid chance of outliving the latter. Moreover, gout and rheumatism greatly enhance a sufferer's chances of retaining his mental faculties until the end. A large percentage of centenarians who died with all their wits about them and with excellent memories of the days of their youth have suffered for many years from rheumatism and been particularly free from other diseases.

The loss of a leg or an arm is also said to do you good in the long run. Perhaps that is an awkward phrase to apply to the loss of a leg, but let it stand. It certainly seems that when a man is deprived of a leg or an arm the vitality and vigor of the lost member remain with him to increase the vitality of the remainder.

It has been declared by an eminent authority that when a man has a leg cut off, he being in sufficiently good health not to collapse from the operation, adds two or three, sometimes more, years to his latter days.—Pearson's Weekly.

Flying Predictions.
In 1273 Friar Bacon predicted that flying would "shortly" become a general practice, and Bishop Wilkins in 1662 said, "It will yet be as usual to bear a man call for his wings when he is going on a journey as it is now to bear him call for his boots."

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LITTLE LEAKS.

What They May Lead to and How They May Be Stopped.

It is possible to lose much by little. A classic case is that of the royal granary which was depleted of its stores by a succession of "one rat came and took one grain away, and another rat came and took another grain away." So fortunes are dissipated, and reputations are destroyed, and health is ruined and character itself lost—by little extravagances, little indiscretions, little negligences, little obliquities. Benjamin Franklin was a great economist not alone of money, but of time. He said, "To teach a young man to shelve himself is as good as to give him a purse of gold." He had reference to the minutes as well as the dimes it costs to patronize the barber. Eliza Burritt stopped the leak in his time and taught himself a dozen languages. Gladstone was equally wise, for he read Plato in his carriage between Carlton terrace and the parliament buildings. A prosperous man ascribed his success in business to his habit of permitting no particle of material to be unproductive. He experimented and elaborated until he found a method of disposing profitably of every atom left over. There is a man in New York who has in bank a goodly sum of money which he calls his "fat but fund." When tempted to needlessly expend any of the specious plea, "This but a nickel or a quarter of a dollar," he denies himself and drops the amount he would have spent into a portable bank, which is filled with amazing rapidity. That is one way to stop a leak. More serious than any prudential matter are the little leaks in life by which vital energy is squandered and moral force is dissipated, imperceptibly it may be, though what we sometimes regard as inconsequential acts. Lack of order in our methods of labor, indifference to the "minor details" of hygiene and the "minor morals" of honesty and truth, the practical repudiation of personal responsibility, the neglect of duties which arise from our ethical and religious nature—these are the leaks which we must stop or be bankrupt in the world's eyes and in God's.—Saturday Evening Post.

Men and Beasts.
I once had a trainer, an old Irishman, who had served in a British regiment in India and who knew the ways of tigers in every detail. He taught three of them to do more work in the show arena than I have ever seen done by tigers. I have seen him sitting down between two of them at rest times during rehearsals and examining their claws to see if any of them were sore or split. Any one who has ever tried that with even a house cat knows that it strikes the feline nature as an unwarrantable familiarity, but they never did more than show their teeth and whine, and that in half playful tones.

One day he got very drunk. I had never known him to transgress before. Before he was noticed on his return to the cage he had gone in with his tigers and fallen in a heap on the floor. The other keepers tried to take him out of the cage, but to have done so would have meant a bitter and bloody fight with the three striped ones. They guarded him all night in his drunken slumber. The next time he put them to work, however, they balked, and he could neither persuade nor drive these. They had ceased to trust him, or something of that sort, and his usefulness with them was at an end completely.—F. Bostock in Frank Leslie's.

Trouble For the Tourists.
The poor Saxon "tourist"—what he may suffer in the Emerald Isle! There is a story on record of three Irishmen rushing away from the race meeting at Punchestown to catch a train back to Dublin. At the moment a train from a long distance pulled up at the station, and the three men scrambled in. In the carriage was seated one other passenger. As soon as they had regained their breath one said:

"What have you got 'er tickets?"
"What tickets? I've got me loife! I thought I'd have lost that 'rettin' in 'er thralin. Have you got 'em, Molloy?"
"Oh! Begorrah, I haven't!"
"Oh, we're all done for, this!" said the third. "They'll charge us right from 'er other side of Oldland!"

The old gentleman looked over his newspaper and said:
"You are quite safe, gentlemen. Wait till we get to 'er next station."

As soon as the train pulled up the little gentleman jumped out and came back with three first class tickets. Handing them to the astonished strangers, he said: "Whist, I'll tell you how I did it! I went along 'er thralin. Tickets, please; tickets, please! I called, and these belong to three Saxon tourists in another carriage."—Harry Furness in Strand.

Since we make our own happiness we should think twice before we say this is a sorry world.—National Magazine.

Pens, Paper and Royalty.
Whenever the signature of an English king or queen is required in a visitor's book or elsewhere it is customary to provide a new pen, which is not used by the hosts or the other guests unless it be handed them by the royal visitor. Another point of etiquette connected with pens and paper is that a letter to a sovereign is written on thick white paper, on one side only, and is placed in an envelope large enough to contain the letter unfolded.

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